

# Dawn deities

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A **dawn goddess** is a deity in a polytheistic religious tradition who is in some sense associated with the dawn. These deities show some relation with the morning, the beginning of the day, and, in some cases, become syncretized with similar solar deities.

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In Egyptian mythology, Tefnut, in part of her being goddess of the morning dew.

## Americas

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In Sioux mythology, Anpao, the spirit of the dawn, has two faces.

## Asia

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### India

- Hindu-Vedic – Ushas

### Israel

- Lucifer and Jesus of The Bible are both referred to as the “morning star” since in ancient time, the morning star had been referred to as an entity of great power.

## Japan

- Ame-no-Uzume-no-Mikoto (Uzume) is a Shinto spirit with a temperament very similar to Ushas and Eos.

## Philippines

- Munag Sumalâ: the golden Kapampangan serpent child of Aring Sinukuan; represents dawn<sup>[1]</sup>
- Tala: the Tagalog goddess of stars;<sup>[2]</sup> daughter of Bathala and sister of Hanan;<sup>[3]</sup> also called Bulak Tala, deity of the morning star, the planet Venus seen at dawn<sup>[4]</sup>
- Hanan: The Tagalog goddess of the morning; daughter of Bathala and sister of Tala<sup>[3]</sup>
- Liwayway: the Tagalog goddess of dawn; a daughter of Bathala<sup>[5]</sup>

## Europe

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### Indo-European

- Proto-Indo-European – Hausos (reconstructed proto-goddess)
- Armenian – Ayg, Arshaluys
- Greek – Eos
- Germanic – Ēostre
- Norse – Dellingr
- Roman – Aurora (and later Mater Matuta)
- Slavic – Zorya
- Irish – Brigid
- Lithuanian – Aušra or Aušrinė
- Latvian – Austra

### Non-Indo-European

- Etruscan – Thesan, Albina (possibly)
- Georgian – Dali

## See also

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- Aurvandil
- Proto-Indo-European religion
- List of Lithuanian mythological figures
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